IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: WILLIAMS ET AL.

Group Art Unit: 2616

Application No. 10/051,728

Examiner: MATTIS, Jason E.

Confirmation No. 8646

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS USING A RANDOM INDICATION TO MAP ITEMS TO PATHS AND TO RECIRCULATE OR

DELAY THE SENDING OF A PARTICULAR ITEM WHEN A

DESTINATION OVER ITS MAPPED PATH

IS UNREACHABLE

REMARKS C

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The Office action dated January 23, 2007, and the references cited have been fully considered. Please consider the following remarks. Reconsideration and/or further prosecution of the application is respectfully requested. No new matter is added herein.

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